



# Comprehensive Distance Learning Update

Sept. 28th, 2020

- **Enrollment is at approx. 3,050, slightly down**
  - We have reached the 3% cap for virtual school enrollment
- **Over \$1,000,000 in hardware, hotspots, curriculum spent in the past 6 months.**
- **Additional 5 days of support for staff to prepare for CDL**





# Staff Preparation

- Staff worked for two weeks to learn multiple systems (Google Classroom, See Saw, Zoom, Edgi, Jamboard, Clever etc...)
- Staff combined training and preparation during those two weeks.
- Training did include a deeper dive into racial equity.





# Communication and Engagement

- **All schools and district hosted virtual engagement nights**
- **All schools had material pass-out days to ensure students and families had appropriate materials for CDL**
- **Teachers are case managing a specified group of students grades 6-12 to ensure their needs are met and they're engaging in school**





# Communication and Engagement

- **Elementary teachers are managing their class and providing office hours for support of families**
- **Technology dept. Resolving help tickets for technology issues**
- **Ongoing planning for further engagement of families to learn new online tools.**







# Positives

- While very challenging, our school leaders and staff have done a lot in a short period of time to prepare for a new delivery model of education.
- Staff are incredible. This is exceptionally difficult to learn and implement. They are resilient.
- Students are engaging in lessons and participating at high levels.





# Challenges

- Students are at home and making connections is challenging in a virtual environment
- Our students are online for extended periods of time
- Chromebooks and Zoom- connectivity is an issue
- Bandwidth- This is being done across our city, so connections falter at times.
- Increased need for support for families and staff





# How Long?

- Needed metrics are 10 cases or less per 100,000 and less than 5% positivity rate state and countywide.
- Current metrics for the past three weeks:
  - 37/100,000, 34/100,000, 32/100,000
  - Most recent positivity rate was 6.2%
- If we average a weekly decline of 3 cases per 100,000 for the coming weeks, we could be at 20 per 100,000 by November. The positivity rate must stay below 5% for three straight weeks as well





## How Long?

- The state allows for districts to use a hybrid for PK-3 once we reach less than 30 cases per 100,000 and less than 5% positivity for 3 weeks in a row
- PK-3 numbers could happen as early as October 19th.
- For K-12 to return to hybrid, we would need to see a significant decline in cases in the next month.







## Other Factors

- Cold/Flu season is upon us
- Hybrid model is a shift that will require support of our staff and families. We will need to offer online and hybrid for students, so this is a shift.
- Transportation is an issue. 500+ students we would not be able to transport due to limited space on buses





## Other Factors

- Meals for in-person instruction + providing meals for students at home
- COVID response protocols
- Ongoing technology support. 2 to 1 for equipment is needed





# Questions

- Questions from the board

